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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER'S ARRIVAL STATEMENT IN ZAIRE.

2.QUOTE: MR. COMMISSIONER, I APPRECIATE VERY MUCH THE WARM WORDS OF WELCOME THAT YOU HAVE UTTERED. SINCE WE MET IN WASHINGTON WE HAVE BECOME CLOSE COLLEAGUES AND GOOD PERSONAL FRIENDS. THE HISTORY OF ZAIRE HAS BEEN CLOSELY CONNECTED WITH FRIENDSHIP WITH THE UNITED STATES AND SUPPORT BY THE UNITED STATES FOR THE PROGRESS AND INDEPENDENCE OF ZAIRE, AND IT IS THEREFORE HIGHLY APPROPRIATE THAT ON THIS VISIT UNDERTAKEN AT THE REQUEST OF PRESIDENT FORD TO BEGIN A NEW ERA IN OUR RELATIONS WITH AFRICA THAT WE SHOULD VISIT ONE OF OUR GOOD UNCLASSIFIED

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FRIENDS AND LOOK FORWARD TO REVIEWING ALL OF THE PROBLEMS OF

AFRICA AND MANY OF THE PROBLEMS OF THE WORLD WITH IT. IN AFRICA TODAY THERE ARE MANY ISSUES. THERE IS THE ECONOMIC UNCERTAINTY THAT IS PRODUCED BY FLUCTUATING ECONOMIC CONDITION IN THE WORLD. THERE IS THE SEARCH FOR RACIAL JUSTICE IN SOUTHER AFRICA. THERE IS THE ATTEMPT BY OUTSIDE POWERS TO DIVIDE AFRICA INTO HOSTILE BLOCKS AND THERE IS THE NEED OF AFRICAN NATIONS TO ACHIEVE PROGRESS AND TO MAINTAIN THEIR INDEPENDENCE. ON ALL THESE ISSUES THE U.S. WANTS TO COOPERATE WITH THE PEOPLES OF AFRIA AND IN PARTICULAR IT WANTS TO DO SO IN CLOSEST ASSOCIATION WITH ITS TRADITIONAL FRIENDS. I LOOK FORWARD VERY MUCH TO THE CONVERSTATIONS I WILL HAVE TOMORROW WITHYOUR GREAT PRESIDENT. AND WE WILL REVIEW ALL OF THESE ISSUES, AND I WILL OUTLINE WHAT AMERICA PROPOSES AS ITS CONTRIBUTION. SO, MR. COMMISSIONER, LET ME THANK YOU FOR THIS VERY WARM RECEPTION AND LET ME TELL YOU HOW MUCH I LOOK FORWARD TO THE TALKS WE HAVE AND TO THE CONVERSATIONS WITH YOUR PRESIDENT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. KISSINGER

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